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## **Woodbridge Man Indicted for Possession of Child Pornography**

(Alexandria, VA) -- A federal grand jury returned a single-count indictment today charging Larry Hatter, age 61, of Woodbridge, Virginia, with possession of child pornography. Chuck Rosenberg, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Joseph Persichini, Jr., Assistant Director in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office, made the announcement.

According to the indictment and court documents, between May 15, 2005 and October 19, 2007, Hatter possessed over 120 computer files containing images of child pornography. These files contained both photo and video images of teenage and prepubescent children engaging in sexually explicit conduct. Hatter utilized an Internet account provided by AOL to acquire the images of child pornography and to enter chat rooms devoted to the sexual exploitation of children.

If convicted, Hatter faces a maximum sentence of ten years in prison, to be followed by a mandatory minimum term of five years, to life, of court supervision. Upon his release from custody, Hatter also will be required to register as a sex offender in any jurisdiction in which he lives, works or goes to school.

This investigation was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney Edward J. McAndrew, who is on detail from the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section of the Department of Justice.

Criminal indictments are only charges and are not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed to be innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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